Road and Trail Inventory

Goal: map all of the legal and illegal existing roads and trails in and leading onto all DCR State Parks and Recreation properties in Massachusetts

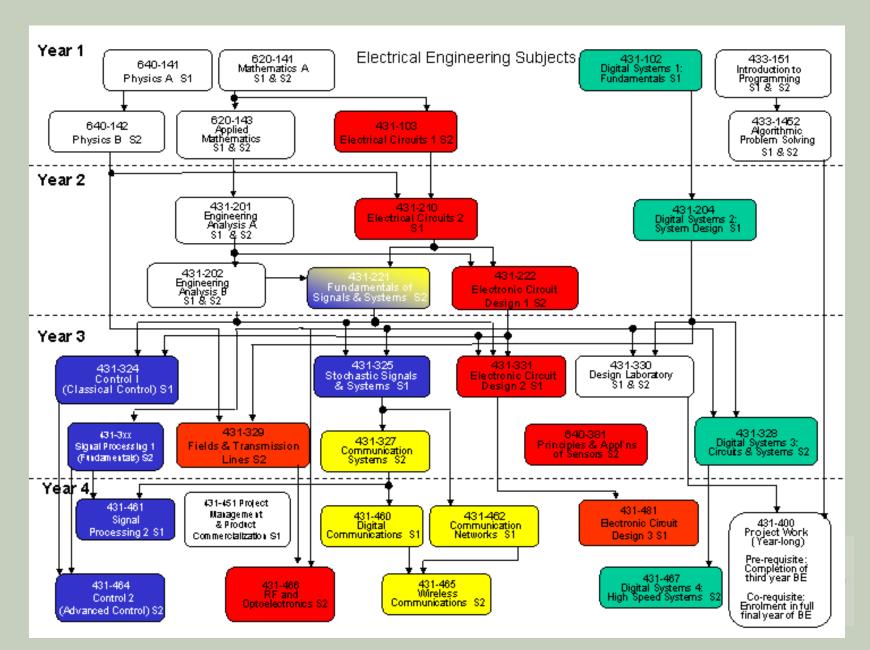


Massachusetts

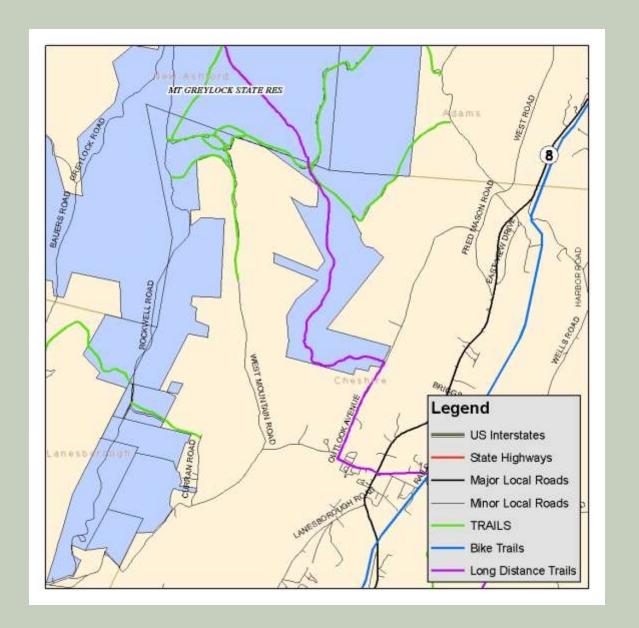




Simple Twelve Step Approach

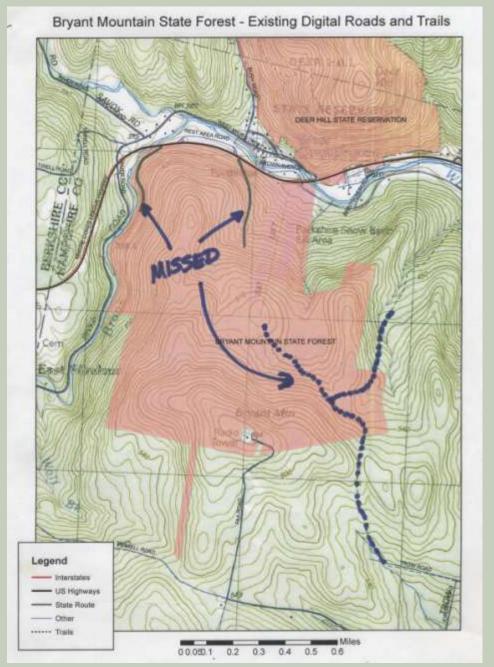


DCR assembles as much digital road and trail data available



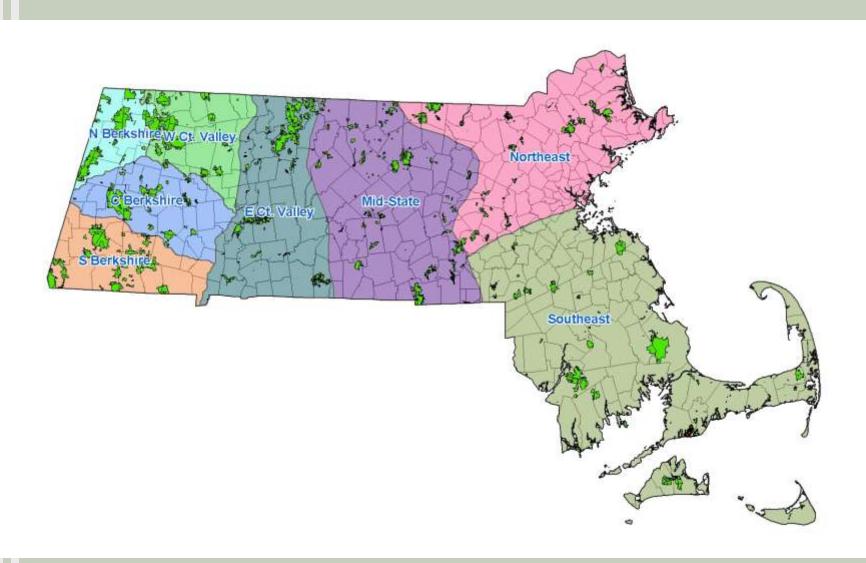


Meet with DCR staff to identify other non-digital roads and trails





Contract with consultants in each of the 8 Management Forestry Districts to GPS roads and trails



Consultant uses a high quality GPS to capture all road, trail and point data (greater than 2 meter accuracy)







Road and Trail Line Data Collected

Roads/Trails (5 options):

- Trails
- Forest Road/Trail
- Administrative Road
- Public Road
- Other

Attributes Collected:

- Surface
- Width
- Condition
- Vehicle access
- Trail marking



Natural, Asphalt, Concrete, etc.

0-3', 3-5', 5-10', 10-15', 15-20', 20'+

Good, Fair, Poor

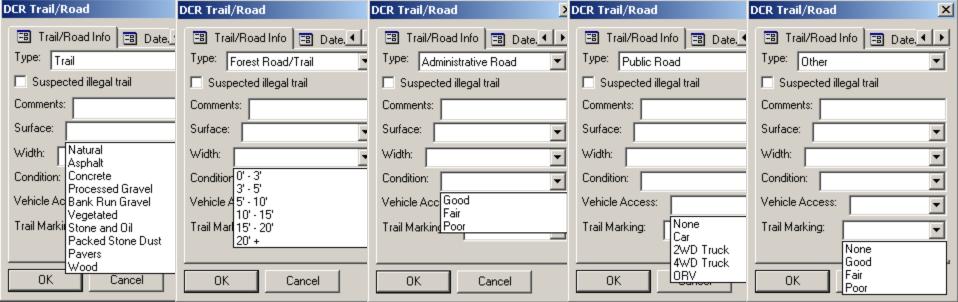
None, Car, 2WD, 4WD, ORV

None, Good, Fair, Poor















A trail in REALLY poor condition!



Road and Trail **Point** Data Collected

Point Features (34 options):

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Parking Area

Road Culvert

Road Damage

Road Turn Out

Trail Sign/Kiosk

Trail Stream Crossing

DCR Bound. Crossing

Campsite

Vista

Noteworthy Feature

Other

Trailhead

Gate

Road Drainage Dip

Road Landing Entrance

Road Turn Around

Trail Structure

ROW Crossing

Building

Picnic Table/Area

Recreation Site

Encroachment

Dead End

Road Bridge

Road Ford

Road Sign

Water Hole

Trail Damage

Stone Wall Crossing

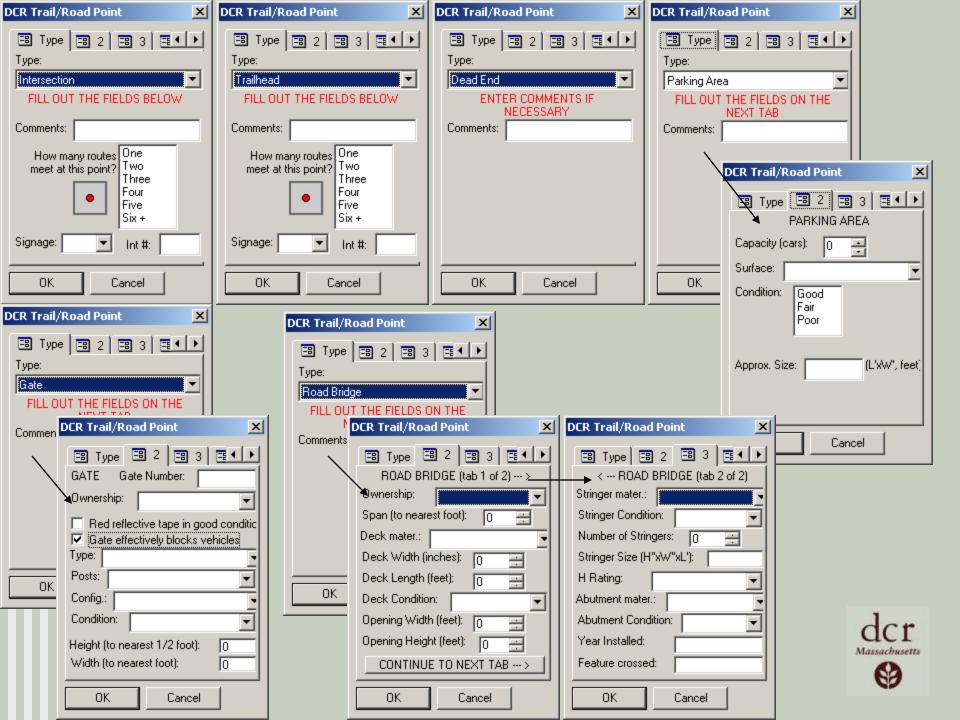
Shelter

Bench(es)

Historic/Cultural Site

Boundary Corner















Encroachment example – BMX jumps in RSP



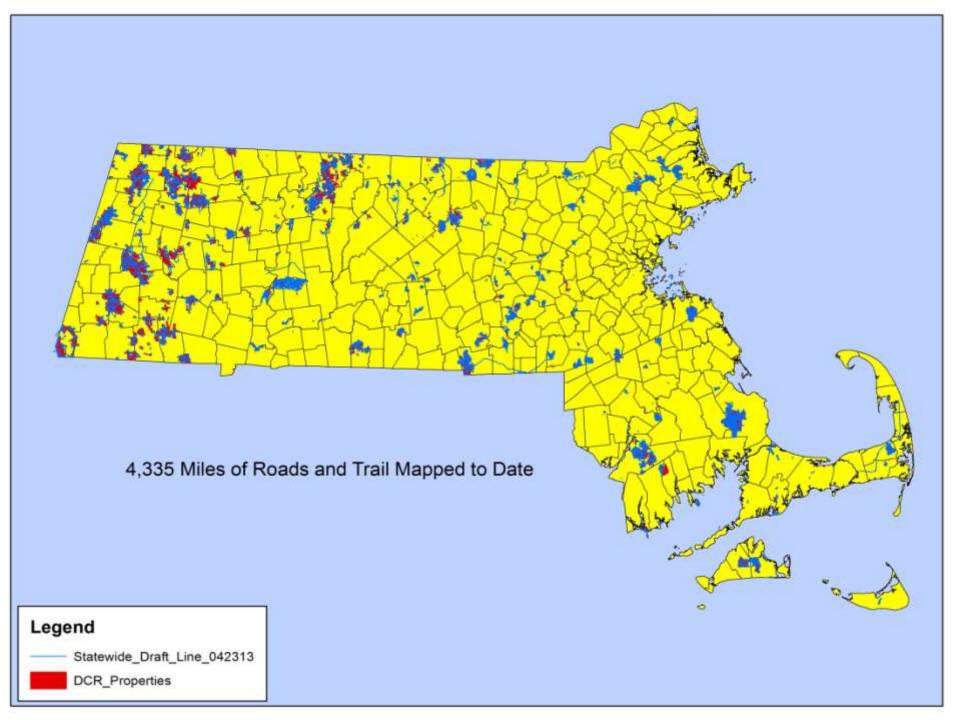
Recreation site, signage, building, kiosk, picnic table/area

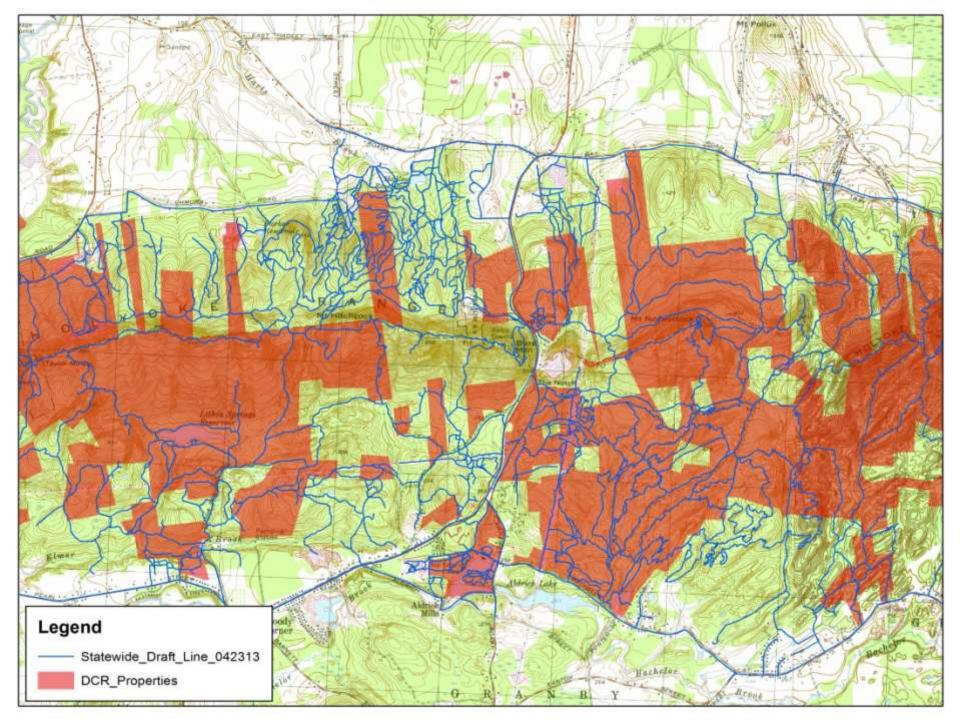
DCR field checks any unresolved issues and completes work started by the team of consultants



Meet again with DCR staff to catch any errors of omission, make decisions of legal vs. illegal, and do additional field work if necessary

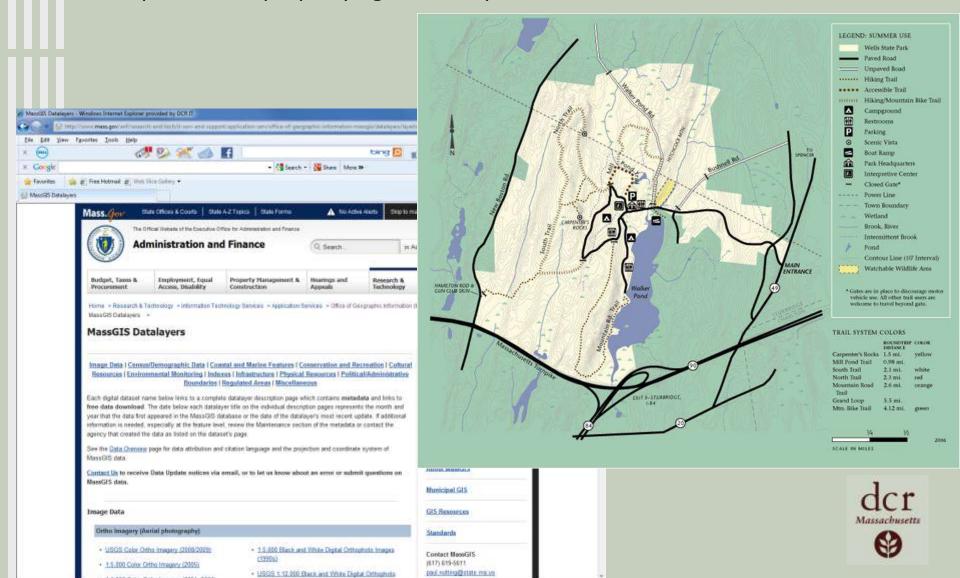






Data Distribution Plan

- Through MassGIS (data download and Oliver viewer)
- Update DCR property "green" maps



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DCR Park Boundary

DCR OpenSpace (Transparent)

Other DCR Interests

DCR Property

A map from: davidficimball

